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In re the application of:

Teiichirou Chiba et al.

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REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF DRAWING CHANGES

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

December 13, 2001

Dear Sir:

Please find two sheets of drawings attached hereto encompassing Figs. 6 and 7. It is respectfully requested that the changes marked in red on the attached figures be approved.

Acknowledgement of receipt and approval of this Request are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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